

**Massachusetts Manufactured Home Commission
Attleboro Meeting Summary
September 18, 2007**

In attendance: Patricia MacDonald, David Piper, Jr., Tim Solomon, Kathy Krasco and Maureen O'Rourke from the DHCD.

A quorum of members was not present.

Call to Order: The meeting of the Commission was called to order at 10:40 am.

Minutes: The minutes from the August meeting (Malden) were reviewed and Ms. MacDonald pointed out that the dates of the 2008 meetings and the location of the October meeting had changed. Ms. Krasco noted that the meetings are posted on the DHCD web site mass.gov/dhcd. Since there was no quorum, the minutes were not approved.

Communications:

A letter to the Attorney Generals Office from Representative Donelan was read and Mr. Piper suggested that the park owner and Ms. Kathy Clark of the Attorney Generals office be asked to attend the meeting in Williamstown. Mr. Solomon said it appears that several government agencies regulations may be violated.

Old Business:

Manufactured Home Park Survey

The Commission approved Survey has not yet been distributed. Ms. Krasco needs to discuss the Survey with the new coordinator Ms. Maureen O'Rourke and it should be sent out by October we should have results by January 2008.

Review of Commission Mission Statement

Commissioners received the Mission Statement with their meeting packets. Mr. Solomon suggested new language be added to be reviewed at Octobers meeting.

Annual Report to be available at October meeting

New Business

New Coordinator

The Commission thanked Ms. Krasco for her service and welcomed Ms. O'Rourke.

Public Forum

Robert Pinato a resident from Kingston asked what the commissions duties are. He also questioned Mr. Piper about his testimony at the state house hearing regarding HB 1293, Ms. MacDonald suggested he should see Mr. Piper after the meeting.

Carolyn Foley- Kosinski a resident from Taunton asked if park owners are required to furnish handicap access to mailboxes and the parks clubhouse. Mr. Piper suggested she talk to the park owner and if not satisfied to contact the building commissioner.

Mr. Solomon pointed out that residents should participate in their parks process in establishing rules and regulations.

Ms. MacDonald questioned if her park was sold after a previous sale had fallen through if it would trigger another right of first refusal for the residents. Mr. Solomon said only if the purchase price was less than the original offer. Ms. MacDonald asked who is responsible to supply sale information. Mr. Piper said if they had signed the request form available with their occupancy agreements the park owner is required to keep them informed of any sale.

Mr. Piper pointed out that residents and park owners should be sure to establish minimum insurance requirements for contractors and fuel companies operating on their property.

Meeting adjourned 12:05pm

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'DGP', written over a horizontal line.

David G. Piper, Jr.
Recording Secretary
October 14, 2007